

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on August 4, 2005. With this response, claims 14-19 and claims 21-32 are amended, claim 20 is cancelled and all pending claims 1-19 and 21-32 are presented for consideration and favorable action.

Initially, Applicant notes that Information Disclosure Statements had been submitted on November 1, 2004 and December 6, 2004 and appears not to have been entered by the Examiner. Copies of those Information Disclosure Statements, along with copies of the stamped returned postcards, are submitted herewith. Consideration and entry of these materials are respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objects to the claims and noted a numbering error. Additionally, a typographical error was identified in misnumbered claim 15. The claims have been amended and it is believed that those rejections may be withdrawn.

In the office Action, claim 17 (misnumbered as claim 15) was rejected based upon Matsumoto et al. With this response, the subject matter of claim 20 (misnumbered as claim 18) has been added to claim 17 and it is believed that the rejection may be withdrawn.

In view of the above amendments, remarks and comments, it is believed the present application is in condition for allowance. Consideration and favorable action is respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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